

## **Dean Search Committee**

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Wayne State University is seeking the next dean of the School of Social Work.

Founded in 1868, Wayne State University is a nationally recognized metropolitan research institution that offers more than 370 academic programs to over 30,000 students. Located in midtown Detroit, Wayne State's main campus consists of 102 buildings which span over 200 acres, and its five extension centers offer higher education to people throughout Southeast Michigan.

For the past 76 years the Wayne State University School of Social Work has prepared ethical and competent social work practitioners to promote social, cultural and economic justice for the betterment of poor, vulnerable, and oppressed individuals, families, groups, communities, organizations, and society. The School of Social Work offers Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Social Work, and Ph.D. in Social Work degrees, with students enrolled across the three degree programs; in addition, the School has five graduate certificate programs and a continuing education program. The SSW is also home to the Center for Social Work Practice and Policy Research. There are 22 full-time faculty and 6 academic staff, and 16 administrative and support staff members. As of the Fall 2011 term, there were 942 students enrolled (702 graduate students, 240 undergraduates).

Reporting to the provost and senior vice president for academic affairs, the dean is the chief academic and administrative officer. The successful candidate will be expected to provide visionary leadership for the School's academic and research programs including budget management, faculty recruitment and resource development. The candidate should be able to build bridges and encourage interdisciplinary scholarship.

The successful candidate will have strong administrative skills, preferably developed in a large, complex environment; the ability to raise funds effectively and develop resources; and excellent interpersonal and communication skills. This individual also should have a commitment to diversity consistent with the university's mission as an urban public research institution. Candidates must hold a Ph.D. or equivalent terminal degree from an accredited institution (MSW not required) and have a record of teaching and scholarly or professional attainment that merits appointment as a professor with tenure. For additional information on Wayne State University, please visit: http://wayne.edu/.

Initial screening of applicants will begin by **Jan. 23, 2012**, and continue until the position is filled. Inquiries, nominations and applications should be directed to the address below. Nominations of qualified candidates are encouraged. Candidates should include a *curriculum vitae* and letter of interest (electronic submissions preferred).

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